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## CRANBERRIES

The forecast for the 2006 cranberry crop is 6.64 million barrels, up 6 percent from 2005 and 7 percent above 2004. Production is forecast to be up in Massachusetts, Oregon and Wisconsin but down in New Jersey and Washington. Production in Wisconsin is forecast at 3.75 million barrels, 2 percent above 2005 and 14 percent above 2004. If realized, this will be a record high production for Wisconsin cranberries. Vines experienced only minor damage this winter. Conditions allowed for a good bloom and fruit set. Most producers are expecting a good crop with average to above average yields.

The Washington crop is forecast at 160,000 barrels, 14 percent below last year and down 6 percent from 2004. Some damage was reported from a fall hailstorm with additional damage reported over the winter. The spring was cool and damp with poor conditions during bloom. These conditions limited bee activity and did not allow for a good fruit set. The Oregon crop is forecast at 485,000 barrels, 10 percent above last year but 2 percent below 2004. Most growers reported a very good bloom but one to three weeks later in the season compared to recent years. Most producers reported the condition of this year's crop is better than last year but fruit sizing may be an issue.

### Cranberries: Area Harvested, Yield, Production & Utilization, Price & Value by State & United States, 2004-2006

| State & Year       | Area Harvested | Yield Per Acre 1/ | Production |           | Utilization |           | Price Per Barrel 2/ | Value of Util. Prod. |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|---------------------|----------------------|
|                    |                |                   | Total      | Utilized  | Fresh       | Processed |                     |                      |
|                    | Acres          | Barrels 3/        | Barrels 3/ |           | Barrels 3/  |           | Dollars             | \$1,000              |
| Massachusetts 2004 | 14,100         | 128.2             | 1,808,000  | 1,808,000 | 152,000     | 1,656,000 | 32.60               | 59,004               |
| 2005               | 14,200         | 100.2             | 1,423,000  | 1,423,000 | 124,000     | 1,299,000 | 34.90               | 49,693               |
| 2006 4/            | -              | -                 | 1,750,000  | -         | -           | -         | -                   | -                    |
| New Jersey 5/ 2004 | 3,100          | 129.7             | 402,000    | 394,000   | -           | 394,000   | 31.20               | 12,293               |
| 2005               | 3,100          | 171.9             | 533,000    | 533,000   | -           | 533,000   | 34.00               | 18,122               |
| 2006               | -              | -                 | 490,000    | -         | -           | -         | -                   | -                    |
| Oregon 2004        | 2,900          | 170.7             | 495,000    | 495,000   | 10,000      | 485,000   | 33.10               | 16,364               |
| 2005               | 2,700          | 163.0             | 440,000    | 440,000   | 20,000      | 420,000   | 35.10               | 15,422               |
| 2006               | -              | -                 | 485,000    | -         | -           | -         | -                   | -                    |
| Washington 2004    | 1,700          | 100.0             | 170,000    | 170,000   | 30,000      | 140,000   | 35.60               | 6,055                |
| 2005               | 1,700          | 110.0             | 187,000    | 187,000   | 18,000      | 169,000   | 36.50               | 6,827                |
| 2006               | -              | -                 | 160,000    | -         | -           | -         | -                   | -                    |
| Wisconsin 2004     | 17,400         | 189.7             | 3,300,000  | 3,300,000 | 205,000     | 3,095,000 | 33.00               | 108,954              |
| 2005               | 17,400         | 210.3             | 3,660,000  | 3,660,000 | 200,000     | 3,460,000 | 34.10               | 124,748              |
| 2006               | -              | -                 | 3,750,000  | -         | -           | -         | -                   | -                    |
| U.S. Total 2004    | 39,200         | 157.5             | 6,175,000  | 6,167,000 | 397,000     | 5,770,000 | 32.90               | 202,670              |
| 2005               | 39,100         | 159.7             | 6,243,000  | 6,243,000 | 362,000     | 5,881,000 | 34.40               | 214,812              |
| 2006               | -              | -                 | 6,635,000  | -         | -           | -         | -                   | -                    |

1/ Yield is based on total production.

2/ Weighted average of co-op and independent sales. Co-op prices represent pool proceeds less returns for processing non-cranberry products, capital stock dividends, capital stock retains, and other retains.

3/ A barrel weighs 100 pounds

4/ Preliminary summary of acreage, yield, use, price, and value of the 2006 crops by state will be released in the Non-citrus Fruit & Nuts Preliminary Report in January 2007.

5/ Small quantities of fresh cranberries are included in processed to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

## MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production for Washington in July totaled 465 million pounds, 21 million pounds less than July 2005. Production per cow averaged 1,960 pounds. The number of milk cows on Washington farms was estimated at 237,000 head, 8,000 head less than last year. Milk production in the 23 major states during July totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from July 2005. June revised production, at 14.0 billion pounds, was up 1.9 percent from June 2005.

| Item                                   | Month/Year  | Idaho | Oregon | Washington | 23 State Total 1/ |
|--|-------------|-------|--------|------------|-------------------|
| Milk Cows 2/<br>(1,000 Head)           | July 2005   | 460   | 121    | 245        | 8,151             |
|  | * June 2006 | 489   | 121    | 237        | 8,269             |
|  | July 2006   | 490   | 121    | 237        | 8,258             |
| Milk Per Cow 3/<br>Pounds              | July 2005   | 1,960 | 1,640  | 1,985      | 1,683             |
|  | * June 2006 | 1,910 | 1,550  | 1,960      | 1,695             |
|  | July 2006   | 1,960 | 1,580  | 1,960      | 1,686             |
| Milk Production 3/<br>(Million Pounds) | July 2005   | 902   | 198    | 486        | 13,715            |
|  | * June 2006 | 934   | 188    | 465        | 14,017            |
|  | July 2006   | 960   | 191    | 465        | 13,919            |

1/ AZ, CA, CO, FL, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, TX, VT, VA, WA & WI.

2/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 3/ Excludes milk sucked by calves. \* Revised.

## STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE

Total fresh apples in storage for the United States on July 31, 2006 totaled 286.4 million pounds, 36 percent lower than a year ago. Frozen French fries in storage for the three Pacific Coast states and eight Mountain states on July 31, 2006 totaled 543.4 million pounds, which accounted for 70 percent of the Nation's French fries in storage. Total potatoes in storage for the three Pacific Coast states and eight Mountain states on July 31, 2006 totaled 684.4 million pounds, 69 percent of the Nation's total potatoes in storage.

| Commodity              | July 31, 2005       | June 30, 2006 | July 31, 2006 |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Apples, Fresh          | <b>1,000 Pounds</b> |               |               |
| Regular Storage        | 14,912              | 30,281        | 5,943         |
| Controlled Atmosphere  | 433,693             | 602,065       | 280,499       |
| <b>48 State Total</b>  | 448,605             | 632,346       | 286,442       |
| Potatoes, French Fries |                     |               |               |
| Mountain               | 192,547             | 180,420       | 162,321       |
| Pacific                | 440,617             | 422,341       | 381,052       |
| <b>48 State Total</b>  | 905,112             | 877,400       | 774,860       |
| Potatoes, Total        |                     |               |               |
| Mountain               | 240,510             | 238,304       | 222,207       |
| Pacific                | 553,656             | 507,203       | 462,206       |
| <b>48 State Total</b>  | 1,154,878           | 1,108,110     | 996,662       |

## FARM LABOR

The number of hired workers on Pacific Region farms totaled 92,000 during July 6-12, 2006, compared with 109,000 workers during the comparable week a year ago. The average wage rate paid in the Pacific Region during the July 2006 survey week was \$10.15 per hour, which was 94 cents more than July 2005. The National farm labor rate was \$9.74 an hour during the same time period, with 875,000 workers during the comparable week in July 2006.

### FARM LABOR WAGE RATES , PACIFIC REGION & UNITED STATES 1/2/

| Month/Year   | NUMBER OF WORKERS 3/ |            |               | HOURS WORKED 3/       |            |               |
|--------------|----------------------|------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------|---------------|
|              | Pacific              | California | United States | Pacific               | California | United States |
|              | <b>1,000 Workers</b> |            |               | <b>Hours Per Week</b> |            |               |
| January 2004 | 41                   | 190        | 662           | 38.2                  | 41.8       | 38.1          |
| April        | 64                   | 182        | 753           | 40.2                  | 45.0       | 39.9          |
| July         | 112                  | 218        | 961           | 37.3                  | 44.6       | 39.2          |
| October      | 68                   | 200        | 851           | 39.3                  | 45.0       | 40.5          |
| January 2005 | 38                   | 143        | 589           | 35.9                  | 40.1       | 37.0          |
| April        | 64                   | 182        | 753           | 40.2                  | 45.0       | 39.9          |
| July         | 109                  | 206        | 936           | 39.3                  | 45.3       | 40.6          |
| October      | 76                   | 183        | 842           | 43.1                  | 44.4       | 42.0          |
| January 2006 | 52                   | 125        | 614           | 35.8                  | 41.6       | 38.2          |
| April        | 65                   | 137        | * 720         | 37.5                  | * 43.0     | 40.8          |
| July         | 92                   | 190        | 875           | 41.3                  | 45.7       | 40.9          |

  

| Month/Year | WAGE RATES 3/           |        |        |           |         |        |                   |        |        |         |         |        |
|------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
|            | Field                   |        |        | Livestock |         |        | Field & Livestock |        |        | All     |         |        |
|            | Pacific                 | Calif. | U.S.   | Pacific   | Calif.  | U.S.   | Pacific           | Calif. | U.S.   | Pacific | Calif.  | U.S.   |
|            | <b>Dollars Per Hour</b> |        |        |           |         |        |                   |        |        |         |         |        |
| Jan '04    | 8.58                    | 8.41   | 8.39   | 9.31      | 9.25    | 8.83   | 8.78              | 8.54   | 8.55   | 9.82    | 9.47    | 9.41   |
| Apr        | 8.87                    | 8.46   | 8.56   | 10.78     | 9.60    | 9.14   | 9.23              | 8.76   | 8.72   | 9.95    | 9.48    | 9.35   |
| Jul        | 8.88                    | 8.41   | 8.34   | 8.90      | 9.91    | 8.74   | 8.88              | 8.60   | 8.43   | 9.25    | 9.26    | 9.04   |
| Oct        | 9.32                    | 8.43   | 8.62   | 9.23      | 9.57    | 8.91   | 9.31              | 8.63   | 8.69   | 9.81    | 9.33    | 9.32   |
| Jan '05    | 9.32                    | 8.56   | 8.71   | 9.90      | 9.93    | 9.20   | 9.39              | 8.86   | 8.90   | 10.33   | 9.82    | 9.78   |
| Apr        | 8.87                    | 8.62   | 8.56   | 10.78     | 9.60    | 9.14   | 9.23              | 8.76   | 8.72   | 9.95    | 9.48    | 9.35   |
| Jul        | 8.60                    | 8.76   | 8.61   | 10.67     | 10.66   | 9.26   | 8.80              | 9.00   | 8.78   | 9.21    | 9.68    | 9.38   |
| Oct        | 8.96                    | 9.21   | 8.90   | 9.58      | 10.45   | 9.15   | 9.00              | 9.37   | 8.96   | 9.62    | 10.13   | 9.61   |
| Jan '06    | 9.36                    | 8.99   | 9.11   | 10.47     | 10.50   | 9.26   | 9.48              | 9.20   | 9.17   | 10.25   | 10.30   | * 9.78 |
| Apr        | 9.24                    | * 8.93 | * 8.95 | 10.13     | * 10.80 | * 9.31 | 9.45              | * 9.21 | * 9.06 | 10.10   | * 10.18 | 9.79   |
| Jul        | 9.50                    | 8.98   | 8.95   | 11.06     | 10.90   | 9.56   | 9.59              | 9.20   | 9.10   | 10.15   | 9.96    | 9.74   |

1/ Pacific Region includes Washington and Oregon. \* Revised.

2/ United States excludes Alaska.

3/ All hired farm workers and wage rates includes supervisor/manager and other workers which are not published separately.

The farm labor reference week is the week that included the 12th of the month.

### CATTLE ON FEED, 1,000 HEAD CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, 2006

| ITEM                               | IDAHO             | WASHINGTON | U.S. TOTAL |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|
|                                    | <b>1,000 Head</b> |            |            |
| Cattle on Feed, July 1 1/          | 230               | 148        | 10,872     |
| Placed on Feed During July         | 36                | 33         | 1,963      |
| Fed Cattle Marketed During July    | 40                | 26         | 1,955      |
| Other Disappearance during July 2/ | 1                 | 1          | 58         |
| Cattle on Feed, August 1           | 225               | 154        | 10,822     |

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

# POULTRY

## LAYER AND EGG PRODUCTION, JULY 2005-2006, SELECTED STATES 1/

| State and Year    |             | All Layers 2/  | Eggs Per 100 All Layers 2/ | Eggs Produced | August 1 3/  |                |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
|                   |             |                |                            |               | Being Molted | Molt Completed |
|                   |             | Thousand       | Number                     | Millions      | Percent      |                |
| California        | 2005        | 18,938         | 2,234                      | 423           | 5.5          | 32.0           |
|                   | 2006        | 18,957         | 2,121                      | 402           | 4.5          | 40.5           |
| Georgia           | 2005        | 18,919         | 2,114                      | 400           | 6.5          | 14.0           |
|                   | 2006        | 18,569         | 2,079                      | 386           | 3.5          | 12.0           |
| Indiana           | 2005        | 23,360         | 2,226                      | 520           | 6.5          | 25.0           |
|                   | 2006        | 24,251         | 2,284                      | 554           | 6.0          | 29.0           |
| Iowa              | 2005        | 47,101         | 2,314                      | 1,090         | 5.5          | 35.0           |
|                   | 2006        | 50,823         | 2,357                      | 1,198         | 5.5          | 35.0           |
| Ohio              | 2005        | 27,841         | 2,266                      | 631           | 2.0          | 16.0           |
|                   | 2006        | 27,495         | 2,233                      | 614           | 5.5          | 25.0           |
| Pennsylvania      | 2005        | 23,045         | 2,382                      | 549           | 5.0          | 15.5           |
|                   | 2006        | 23,503         | 2,438                      | 573           | 2.5          | 18.5           |
| Texas             | 2005        | 17,307         | 2,271                      | 393           | 2.0          | 21.0           |
|                   | 2006        | 18,812         | 2,249                      | 423           | 3.5          | 23.5           |
| <b>Washington</b> | <b>2005</b> | <b>4,889</b>   | <b>2,229</b>               | <b>109</b>    | <b>8.0</b>   | <b>40.0</b>    |
|                   | <b>2006</b> | <b>4,691</b>   | <b>2,345</b>               | <b>110</b>    | <b>4.0</b>   | <b>52.5</b>    |
| <b>U.S. TOTAL</b> | <b>2005</b> | <b>338,573</b> | <b>2,234</b>               | <b>7,563</b>  | <b>4.3</b>   | <b>22.1</b>    |
|                   | <b>2006</b> | <b>341,047</b> | <b>2,241</b>               | <b>7,643</b>  | <b>4.2</b>   | <b>25.3</b>    |

1/ 2005 revised, 2006 preliminary.

2/ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

3/ As of first of month.

